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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Eric J. BERGMAN

APPLICATION NO.: 09/621,028

FILED: JULY 21, 2000

FOR: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING A  
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WAFER

EXAMINER: Z. EL ARINI

ART UNIT: 1746

CONF. No: 4066

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- ☒ An Amendment and Request for Continued Examination (RCE);
- ☒ A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time; and
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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